

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1(currently amended). A composition comprising polyvinyl alcohol, sodium chloride, at least one water soluble silicate, water and at least one additive; wherein the composition has a basic pH.

2(previously presented). A composition comprising a combination comprising polyvinyl alcohol, at least one silicon containing foam suppressant, water, at least one water soluble silicate and sodium chloride; wherein the composition has a basic pH.

3(original). The composition of Claim 1 wherein the water comprises naturally occurring salt containing water.

4(original). The composition of Claim 2 wherein the water comprises naturally occurring salt containing water.

5(currently amended). The composition of Claim 1 [further comprising] wherein said at least one water soluble silicate comprises sodium silicate.

6(previously presented). The composition of Claim 2 wherein said at least one water soluble silicate comprises sodium silicate.

7(cancelled).

8(cancelled).

9(currently amended) The composition of Claim 1 wherein said composition further comprises vinyl acetate emulsion.

10(currently amended). The composition of Claim [1] 2 wherein said composition further comprises vinyl acetate emulsion.

11(currently amended). A composition comprising a combination comprising polyvinyl alcohol, at least one water soluble silicate, at least one silicon containing foam suppressant, water, and sodium chloride and wherein the composition has a basic pH.

12(currently amended). A composition comprising polyvinyl alcohol, sodium chloride, at least one water soluble silicate, water and at least one additive and mixtures thereof; wherein the amount of water is at least about 70 wt. %.

13(previously presented). The composition of Claim 1 wherein the composition further comprises at least one member selected from the group consisting of defoaming agents, anti-microbial agents, surfactants, anti-freeze, dyes and thickeners.

14(previously presented). The composition of Claim 1 wherein the composition is substantially free of toxic components.

15(currently amended). The composition of Claim 11 [further comprising] wherein the at least one water soluble silicate comprises sodium silicate.

16(currently amended). The composition of Claim 12 [further comprising] wherein the at least one water soluble silicate comprises sodium silicate.

17(new). The composition of Claim 1 further comprising sodium hydroxide.

18(new). The composition of Claim 2 further comprising sodium hydroxide.

19(new). The composition of Claim 11 further comprising sodium hydroxide.

20(new). The composition of Claim 12 further comprising sodium hydroxide.